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Mansfield Sees No End To Chaos in Viet Nam

Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield today deplored what he termed a "coup-on-coup" situation in South Viet Nam. But he saw no end to the governmental chaos there now.

The overthrow of Premier Tran Van Huong by Gen. Nguyen Khanh is the eighth change of government since Nov. 1, 1963, Mansfield said.

"Those changes comprise three coups, one attempted coup, one semi-coup and three other changes hard to classify," Mansfield, who is a member of the Senate Foreign Relations committee, added.

Doesn't Know of Warning

"It looks as if we are dealing with a coup-on-coup rather than a stable government and this makes a difficult situation that is much more difficult to contend with."

Mansfield said he did not know if the administration had any warning of the latest coup.

However, after a closed briefing of the Foreign Relations Committee yesterday by John A. McCone, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Sen. J. W. Fulbright, D-Ark.,

the committee chairman, was asked if another coup was "in the works."

He said the situation in South Viet Nam was "very distressing," but, as to whether another coup was in the works, he said, "No, I do not think there is."

Aiken Hits Taylor

Secretary of State Dean Rusk rushed out of a meeting with members of the House Agriculture Committee today and declined to talk to newsmen other than to say, "We're not commenting today until we have all the facts."

Sen. George D. Aiken, R-Vt., said in an interview he has "about come to the conclusion that Ambassador Taylor has about outlived his usefulness" in South Viet Nam.

Aiken, an influential member of the Foreign Relations Committee, said in an interview:

"I'm not sure a successor would do any better there than Ambassador Taylor. I don't blame Ambassador Taylor. He's a top-flight military officer, but we need some down-to-the-earth type who could get closer to the people."